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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Peter D. Harney)
Serial No.: 09/220,398)
Filed: December, 24 1998)
For: *Methods and Kits for Preparing*)
Multicomponent Nucleic Acid Constructs)

Group Art Unit: 1655

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2001, Applicant submits the following comments/amendments in this request for reconsideration.